[Mr. S. J. Nair.]

(*a*) whether vacancies in and above the grade of Second Grade Supervisors in the P. W. D. are not filled up from a very long time;

(*b*) whether promotions are not given for very many Supervisors who are in the lower grade;

(*c*) whether the late Chief Engineers and the Acting Chief Engineer have recommended their promotions; and

(*d*) why the recommendations were not accepted?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): (*a*) All vacancies except those in the Second Grade Supervisor's places have been filled up.

(*b*) Promotions are given to deserving Supervisors in the lower grade as chances occur.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) The recommendations have all been accepted by Government, except those for the Second Grade which are under the consideration of Government.

Amalgamation of the Press, Stationery and Central Printing Departments.

394. ***MR. S. J. NAIR** (*Nedumangad*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether there is any idea of the amalgamation of Press, Stationery and Central Printing departments;

(*b*) why the amalgamation is proposed; and

(*c*) the benefit or advantage of the said amalgamation?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*):

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Because the three are allied departments and can be worked more efficiently under a single head.

(*c*) Co-ordination of the functions of the three departments which will facilitate their efficient and smooth working.

Removal of green manure from Reserve Forests.

395. ***MR. S. NILAKANTA PILLAI** (*Chirayinkil II*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they allow green manure to be taken from Reserve Forests by cultivators; and

(*b*) if so, whether there is any restriction in doing so?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Only from scrub jungle Reserves, which have been notified by Government.

(*b*) Removal in head-loads is free. Collection and removal by cart-load on payment of a fee of 4 annas per cart-load, and by boat-loads at 8 annas a boat-load.

Trade Agent in Bombay.

396. ***MR. EDAVANATT S. PADMANABHA MENON** (*Shertala I*): Will the Government be pleased to state the various functions of the newly appointed Trade Agent in Bombay?

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RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The member is referred to the Press Note dated the 17th April 1934 on the subject.

Concessions to students passing out of the Agricultural Schools.

397. ***MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN** (*Mavelikara*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) with reference to the answer to question No. (2) (*b*), given on 25th November 1933, in this Assembly, whether the reports of the Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner and the Conservator of Forests have been received on the memorial referred to therein; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, the action taken on the same?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): (*a*) The report of the Conservator of Forests has been received; but that of the Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner has not yet been received.

(*b*) Further action can be taken only on receipt of the report from the Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner.

Muslim Sub-Registrars.

398. ***MR. K. MAHOMED** (*Tiwaye*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the number of Muslim Sub-Registrars in the Registrations Department of the State; and

(*b*) the date of appointment and present pay of these Muslim Sub-Registrars?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) One.

(*b*) 12th Mithunam 1087. His present pay is Rs. 115.

Ryots' road from Mavelikara-Pantalam road to Cherukunnam village road.

399. ***MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN** (*Mavelikara*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether steps are being taken for taking the ryots' road from 3/1 Mavelikara-Pantalam road, to Cherukunnam village road under departmental maintenance and

(*b*) the period for which the subject was pending before the Department and the reason for the delay?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*): (*a*) No, as the ryots have not completed the road as per the rules.

(*b*) Does not arise in view of the answer to part (*a*).

Opening of a District Court at Mavelikara.

400. ***MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN** (*Mavelikara*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the appointment of a seventh Judge in the High Court and the opening of a Munsiff's Court at Pattanamtitta are due to a change in the policy of the Government from that indicated in the answer to my question No. 54, given on 20th November 1933, in the Assembly; and

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